

Kaleidoscope - Level B Language Arts ATE

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Grade Level P4 - 3rd Grade

Readability Level

Course / Content Reading

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Content The Language Arts Blackline Masters book contains reproducible worksheets that provide practice with and review of a variety of language arts skills. Exercises focus on grammar and mechanics, vocabulary, and spelling.

Student Experiences Students learn and review language arts skills and concepts as they complete exercises on the worksheets. Together, the students and teacher read the instructions and work through several items; then students complete the worksheet independently. The worksheets include fill-in-the-blank items as well as exercises that call for students to indicate answers by circling or underlining their choice.

Assessment After students have completed a worksheet, the teacher reviews it with them. As correct answers are identified, students are expected to proofread their work.

Organization Language arts concepts are presented in three-step lessons: Teach, Guided Practice, and Independent Practice. Teacher material appears opposite the corresponding student worksheet in a two-page spread. Lessons in the Language Arts Annotated Teacher's Edition are organized into six units. Twelve worksheets are provided for each of the first three units, and 18 are provided for each of the last three units. The increased number of lessons in the later units allows for adequate review of skills introduced in previous units.

Resource Materials The Kaleidoscope Teacher's Edition references lessons in the Language Arts Annotated Teacher's Edition at relevant points during the study of each selection in the Student Reader.

Gratis Items to be provided and under what conditions

Available Ancillary Materials The Language Arts worksheets are available in both workbook and blackline masters formats. The Blackline Masters book is included in the Kaleidoscope Intervention Package along with the Annotated Teacher's Edition.

Research Data and Evidence of Effectiveness

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Research Available

Overall Strength and/or Weaknesses

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Recommendations: This material was reviewed as part of the Kaleidoscope Intervention Reading Program. It is recommended that this program be included on the Kentucky State Textbook Adoption List.

Summary Form

I.	Technology Component Summary	0.00
	Student stories were presented in both CD and audiocassette format. No management program available online or in CD format.	
I.	Reading Content Summary	1.9299999999999999
	Good variety of selections that are well organized and developmentally appropriate to hold the interest of older students with reading difficulties.	
II.	Writing Content Summary	1.17
	This program does not have a fully developed writing program included because it is mainly a reading intervention program. Many missed opportunities to make meaningful writing connections in this program.	
III.	Grammar and Spelling Content Summary	1.69
	A strong phonics and grammar strand are included. Could not find an electronic dictionary.	
IV.	Listening /Speaking / Observing Content Summary	2.00
V.	Inquiry Content Summary	
	No inquiry component found in this program.	
VI.	Technology Content Summary	
	Student texts are recorded on cassette tapes as well as CDs. No interactive student games or reading comprehension activities included.	
VII.	Audience: Teacher Materials Content Summary	1.45
	Easy to follow format that includes several teaching suggestions.	
VIII.	Audience : Student Materials Content Summary	1.89
	The illustrations / photos and the story text were appropriate for older readers. No poetry or drama was included.	
IX.	Format Content Summary	1.86
	Easy to read student texts and teacher materials. All color coordinated at each level.	
X.	Ancillary Materials Content Summary	1.83
	Satisfactory amount of ancillary materials included.	

READING CONTENT

Stories consist of fiction and nonfiction. No poetry or drama included.

WRITING CONTENT

Limited instruction is given in this reading intervention program for authentic writing instruction.

GRAMMAR AND SPELLING

Could not find an electronic dictionary.

LISTENING / SPEAKING / OBSERVING

INQUIRY

TECHNOLOGY CONTENT

The only technology component to the Kaleidoscope Program consists of CD and audiocassettes of recorded stories that come with the program.

AUDIENCE: TEACHER MATERIALS

Focus is on reading development.

Emphasis is on reading instruction.

AUDIENCE: STUDENT MATERIALS

Good selection of fiction and nonfiction. No poetry or drama is included.

FORMAT

ANCILLARY MATERIALS

Online resources are available through SRA, but not directly through the Kaleidoscope program.